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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An injectable anesthetic composition comprising:

a microemulsion comprising a mixture of 2,6-diisopropylphenol, polyethylene glycol 660 hydroxystearate, tetrahydrofurfuryl alcohol polyethyleneglycol ether, and an aqueous medium comprising a tonicity adjustment agent in an amount sufficient to obtain an isotonic condition corresponding to blood plasma;

a surfactant selected from the group consisting of bile salts, lecithin, and mixtures thereof; and

a member selected from the group consisting of liquid excipients, pH regulators, thickening agents, absorbents, light stabilizers, crystallization inhibitors, complexing agents, antioxidants, antiseptics, and mixtures thereof;

wherein the composition exhibits a transmittance at 660 nm of greater than about 90%.

Claim 2 (canceled)